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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I finally found a bundle of phone and internet that I can AFFORD...! This is why I highly oppose the USTelecom petition. I am a very low-income senior female. At one point I thought I'd have to give up on TV, altogether! Instead, I feel so lucky that I found Sonic, a small ISP that competes, brilliantly, with the big guys, AT&T and Verizon. It would be a shame, and make no sense, if this petition passes, being, because of my income, I had to drop Xfinity/Comcast, as they were gouging me...!

Local providers are building new fiber networks to bring faster speeds. Competition builds the future! If passed, this petition would dismantle critical components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act, disabling competition and eradicating consumer choice. I implore you to NOT support this petition.

I have a great phone/internet bundle through Sonic that I'd like to keep. In this day and age, everyone is disenfranchised, without daily use of the internet and a reliable phone.

Thank you, for your time and consideration

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